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Need to Know

I READ WITH approval your editorial of February 13th on the peoples "right to know" and its final statement that the peoples right to know is always adhered to. I would like to cite one instance, although there are several, in which I feel the peoples right to know and in fact, their need to know is not being adequately fulfilled.

There is a general lack of information on the plans and goals of international communism, although this is readily available through the party organs published in this country.

For instance:

1. It would be of vital interest to know that the current line includes persuading the United States to go to a "summit meeting" in order to attain new conquests in Asia, Africa, or Latin America while the U.S. is distracted by long talks which can come to no agreement.

2. Also of current interest are party instructions to promote "cultural exchanges" designed to expand the Soviet espionage.

3. It would have been quite interesting a few weeks back to note the party emphasis on the subversion and mis-direction of our youth and of the high priority program to abolish the HUAC.

The former director of the CIA, Allen W. Dulles, once said, "I have always been impressed at our seeming reluctance to give credence to official statements which are made by political leaders in other countries when we disagree fervently with what they say or when their statements seem at times to be bombastic or unrealistic."

I firmly believe, however, that regular presentation to the general public of such official statements, not lightly treated but emphasized for what they are, would do much to alleviate that lack of credence and greatly increase the effectiveness of this country's effort against the diabolical conspiracy which now confronts us.

I appeal to you to more adequately fulfill this need for your readers.

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